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CITY OF LODI COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA TITLE: Adopt Resolution Amending Traffic Resolution No. 97-148 by Establishing Terminal Access Routes on Harney Lane from Hutchins Street to Stockton Street, and Lower Sacramento Road from Turner Road to the Food 4 Less/Walmart Southerly (Truck) Driveway

MEETING DATE: July 16, 2008

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt a resolution amending Traffic Resolution No. 97-148 by establishing terminal access routes on Harney Lane from Hutchins Street to Stockton Street, and Lower Sacramento Road from Turner Road to the Food 4 Less/Walmart southerly (truck) driveway.

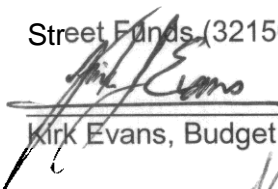
BACKGROUND INFORMATION: In 2007, Council established terminal access routes on various streets to accommodate STAA trucks traveling to/from Constellation Wines and Tigerlines, Inc. This action triggered a response from Caltrans stating they do not concur with the City's newly and previously established STAA terminal access routes intersecting State Highway 12.

Exhibit A provides STAA Truck Route background information describing the history of the STAA truck routes within Lodi. It also includes a recap of recent events involving Caltrans and others that have culminated in the terminal access route modifications as presented in Exhibit B.

City staff recommends establishing terminal access routes on Harney Lane from Hutchins Street to Stockton Street, and Lower Sacramento Road from Turner Road to the Food 4 Less/Walmart southerly (truck) driveway. These recommendations will provide the required 24/7 turn around capabilities.

FISCAL IMPACT: Replacement sign costs in eight to ten years.

FUNDING AVAILABLE: Street Funds (3215031): \$5,500


Kirk Evans, Budget Manager


F. Wally Sandelin
Public Works Director

Prepared by Paula J. Fernandez, Senior Traffic Engineer

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Attachments

cc: City Attorney
Streets and Drainage Manager
Police Chief
Affected Trucking Businesses

APPROVED: 
Blair King, City Manager

EXHIBIT A

STAA TRUCK ROUTE BACKGROUND

In 1982, the federal government passed the Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA). This act required states to allow certain longer trucks on the National Network (federal highways). A STAA truck is longer than a California legal truck and may operate only on specific highways in California. In December 1987, City Council established Terminal Access or STAA routes throughout the City to meet Federal Government regulations on larger commercial vehicles operating on the local street facilities. In 1988 and 1989, City and Caltrans staff agreed on the City's STAA routes and signage at key intersections.

In 2007, California Highway Patrol (CHP) contacted STAA truck drivers and associated Lodi businesses about using certain streets not designated as STAA truck routes. City staff received requests from the businesses to expand the City's existing STAA truck route system. Several streets and intersections were evaluated to determine if STAA trucks could be accommodated. Staff presented the recommendations to City Council.

At the August 1, 2007 and October 17, 2007 meetings, City Council established terminal access routes on various streets (Guild Avenue, Cluff Avenue between Turner Road and Victor Road, Black Diamond Way, and Beckman Road between Black Diamond Way and Turner Road) to accommodate STAA trucks traveling to/from Constellation Wines and Tigerlines, Inc. However, after reviewing the City's updated STAA truck route map, Caltrans responded stating they do not concur with the City's newly and, as well as, the previously established STAA terminal access routes intersecting State Highway 12.

City staff met with Caltrans, CHP, Lodi Police Department, State officials, and trucking companies to resolve a number of issues. The City's key issues were: 1) why the CHP increased enforcement and/or warnings; 2) why Caltrans requires STAA signage when the California Vehicle Code (CVC) indicates local authorities may publish a map with STAA routes; and 3) why CHP does not allow STAA trucks to leave a STAA route to access a terminal as indicated by the CVC.

Engineering off-tracking analyses were performed for the affected intersections and submitted to Caltrans for approval. Off-tracking is the primary issue with longer vehicles. The STAA trucks are required to clear any obstacles including curbs, islands, adjacent lanes, street signs, signal poles, and to avoid crossing over the centerline into oncoming traffic. In addition, the STAA trucks must have 24/7 turn around capability or connect to another STAA truck route.

Based on the off-tracking analysis and negotiations with Caltrans, consensus was reached on the following STAA routes and modifications:

1987 Terminal Access Routes:

Kettleman Lane/Lower Sacramento Road

- Provide 24/7 turn around by modifying the terminal access route from Turner Road to Food 4 Less/Walmart southerly driveway. Food 4 Less/Walmart Center has 24-hour turn around capabilities.
- Install appropriate STAA signage (City and Caltrans).

Kettleman Lane/Hutchins Street

- Provide 24/7 turn around by establishing a terminal access route on Harney Lane from Hutchins Street to Stockton Street.
- Install appropriate STAA signage (City and Caltrans).

Kettleman Lane/Stockton Street

- Provide 24/7 turn around by establishing a terminal access route on Harney Lane from Hutchins Street to Stockton Street.
- Remove the southbound right turn lane (stripe, pavement legend, and sign) on Stockton Street north of Harney Lane and north of Kettleman Lane.
- Install appropriate STAA signage (City and Caltrans).

Victor Road/Beckman Road

- Provide minor striping/signage improvements (Caltrans).
- Improve existing STAA signage (Caltrans).

Kettleman Lane/Cherokee Lane - This intersection is signed for STAA truck use.

2007 Terminal Access Routes:

At the Victor Road/Cluff Avenue/Guild Avenue intersections, we are required to make some minor improvements consisting of paving, signage, and striping. The estimated cost of the improvements is \$20,500. City staff has contacted the five benefiting businesses requesting they equally share the improvement costs. The work will be performed by City forces with a Caltrans encroachment permit as follows:

Victor Road/Cluff Avenue (North Leg)

- Widen approximately 3.2 feet (483 square feet) on the east side of Cluff Avenue north of Victor Road.
- Modify striping and legends to relocate southbound limit line approximately 12 feet north of the existing location.
- Install no-parking zones and appropriate STAA signage.

Victor Road/Guild Avenue (excludes the westbound to southbound turn)

- Modify striping for eastbound and westbound left-turn lanes
- Exclude the westbound to southbound STAA left-turning movement
- Install no-parking zones and appropriate STAA signage.

2008 Terminal Access Routes:

As an informational note, All State Packers, Inc., (6011 E. Pine Street) located just east of the City limit, requested terminal access routes to and from their facility. City staff performed the off-tracking analysis at Pine Street/Guild Avenue intersection. With some minor striping improvements and STAA signage, STAA trucks can be accommodated. This action requires the Public Works Director's approval. All State Packers, Inc., has provided funding for the improvements.

Pine Street, Guild Avenue to east City limit

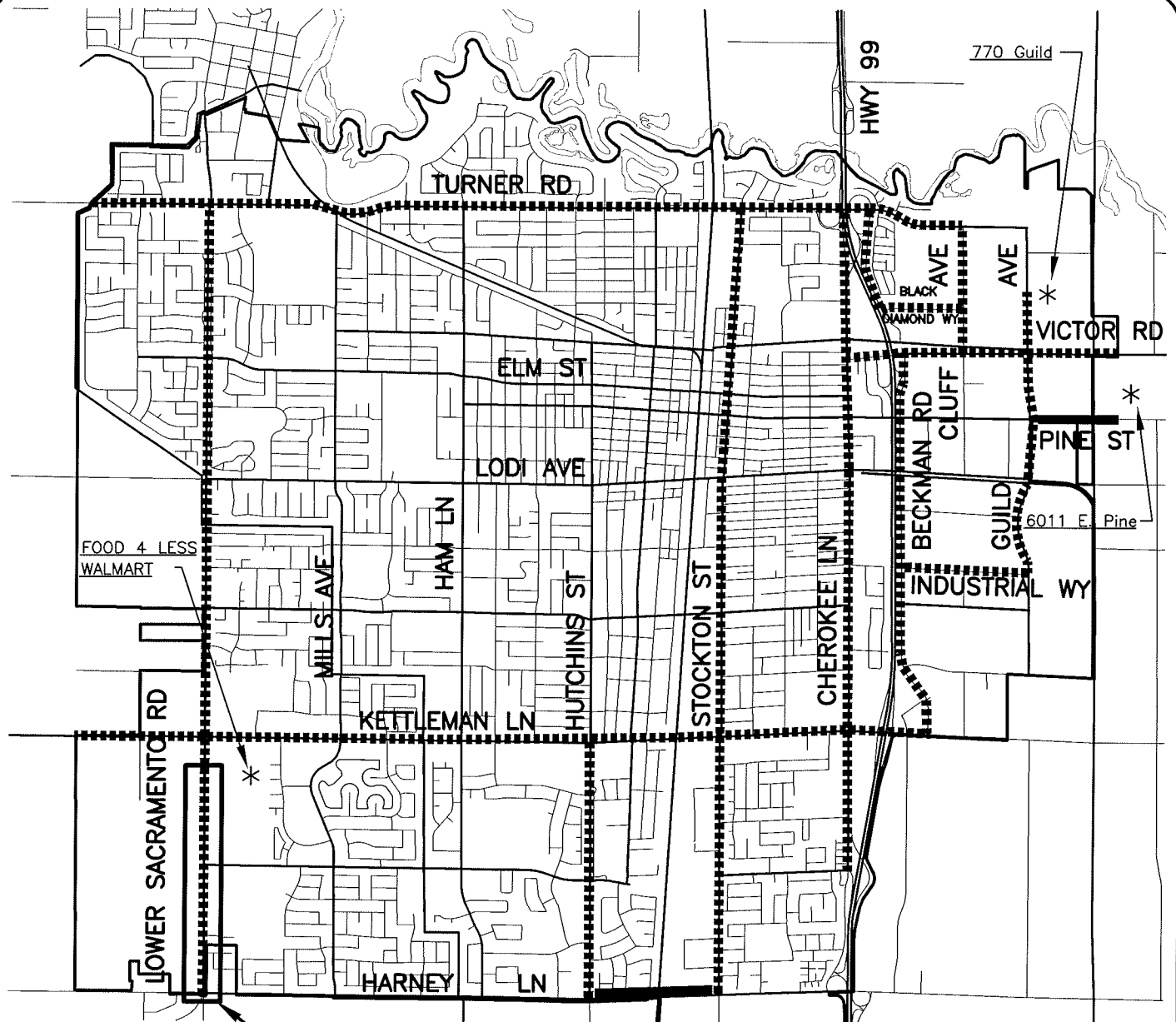
- Provide no-parking zone by installing striped edge line.
- Install appropriate STAA signage.



CITY OF LODI

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

STAA TRUCK ROUTE MODIFICATIONS



REMOVE STAA ROUTE

LEGEND

- = EXISTING STAA TRUCK ROUTES
- = PROPOSED STAA TRUCK ROUTE

NOTE: Trucks over two axles are prohibited on Turner Road from Lower Sacramento Road (north) to Highway 99 southbound ramps (Except pick-ups and deliveries within city limits)

* — 24 HOUR TURN AROUND

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-143

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AMENDING
TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 97-148 BY ESTABLISHING
TERMINAL ACCESS ROUTES ON HARNEY LANE FROM
HUTCHINS STREET TO STOCKTON STREET AND LOWER
SACRAMENTO ROAD FROM TURNER ROAD TO
FOOD 4 LESS/WALMART SOUTHERLY (TRUCK) DRIVEWAY

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WHEREAS, in 2007, City Council established terminal access routes on various streets to accommodate STAA trucks traveling to/from Constellation Wines and Tigerlines, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Caltrans has not concurred with the City's newly and previously established STAA terminal access routes intersecting State Highway 12; and

WHEREAS, City staff recommends establishing terminal access routes on Harney Lane from Hutchins Street to Stockton Street and Lower Sacramento Road from Turner Road to the Food 4 Less/Walmart southerly (truck) driveway.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby amend Traffic Resolution No. 97-148, Section 8B, 'Weight Limit/Commercial-Vehicle Restrictions,' by establishing terminal access routes on Harney Lane from Hutchins Street to Stockton Street and on Lower Sacramento Road from Turner Road to the Food 4 Less/Walmart southerly (truck) driveway.

Dated: July 16, 2008

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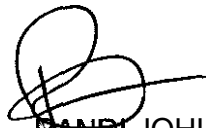
I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2008-143 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held July 16, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hansen, Hitchcock, Johnson, Katzakian, and
Mayor Mounce

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


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City Clerk

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July 11, 2008

Affected Trucking Businesses - *Mailing List Attached*

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution Amending Traffic Resolution No. 97-148 by Establishing Terminal Access Routes on Harney Lane from Hutchins Street to Stockton Street, and Lower Sacramento Road from Turner Road to the Food 4 Less/Walmart Southerly (Truck) Driveway

Enclosed is a copy of background information on an item on the City Council agenda of Wednesday, July 16, 2008. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

This item is on the regular calendar for Council discussion. *You* are welcome to attend.

If you wish to write to the City Council, please address your letter to City Council, City of Lodi, P. O. Box 3006, Lodi, California, 95241-1910. Be sure to allow time for the mail. Or, you may hand-deliver the letter to City Hall, 221 West Pine Street.

If you wish to address the Council at the Council Meeting, be sure to fill out a speaker's card (available at the Carnegie Forum immediately prior to the start of the meeting) and give it to the City Clerk. If you have any questions about communicating with the Council, please contact Randi Johl, City Clerk, at (209) 333-6702.

If you have any questions about the item itself, please call Paula Fernandez, Senior Traffic Engineer, at (209) 333-6800, extension 2667.

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for:

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Public Works Director

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Enclosure

cc: City Clerk

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